

TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE TOWN BULLETIN DECEMBER 2004

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT no meeting

PLANNING COMMISSION January 20 Casey

TOWN COUNCIL January 11 Heckendorn

WABA January 6 Airy

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A FRIENDLY REMINDER: In Beaux Arts Village, we treasure our urban forest. Residents are reminded that they may not cut or trim ANY tree located in the street right of way. If there is a tree on the right of way near you that seems diseased or dead OR if you are unsure whether the tree is on the right of way or your property, please contact Clerk-Treasurer Spens at townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov or 425.454.8580 to report the tree's location so that Town staff can determine the appropriate course of action.

SKI CLUB HEADS FOR MISSION RIDGE! The Beaux Arts Ski Club is finalizing plans for its 3rd Annual outing to Mission Ridge. Several villagers have already signed up. We plan to be at Mission on Saturday, January 15 and Sunday, January 16. Mayor Lowry will be hosting the Annual Mayors' Cup event on Saturday afternoon, with the "awards" banquet set for Saturday night. This is a great event for everyone, young, older, fast or slow. Please make your own hotel reservations (many of us will be at the Coast Wenatchee Center and Red Lion Wenatchee hotels) and let John Rose know if you are coming so you will have a place at the dinner table!

MARSHAL'S REPORT: There was one report of a car prowl in mid-November in which a locked car's window was broken to gain entry to the vehicle. This is the first time in recent years that a locked car has been broken into. While locking your car is an important deterrent, residents are reminded that they should remove valuable items from all vehicles before locking them, especially if the vehicle must be parked outside overnight.

COUNCIL BUSINESS: At its December 14th meeting, the Council passed Ordinance No. 329 adopting a budget for 2005. Your Council worked hard to develop a balanced budget where General Fund revenues are forecast to equal General Fund expenditures. More good news: budgeted expenditures for 2005 are expected to be about 7% lower than 2004 in the General Fund as activity in the Building Department lessens and about 10% lower than overall because there are no capital projects forecast for the Water Department at this time. A copy of this ordinance will be posted at mailstands shortly.

The Council also reviewed amendments to the Zoning Code as proposed by the Planning Commission with Planning Commissioner Dennis Casey. These amendments address maximum building height, measuring existing grade, and landscape features. The discussion provided the Planning Commission with feedback that they will use to fine-tune the amendments before holding a public hearing on the proposed Zoning Code changes. Watch your mailstand for a notice of the upcoming public hearing.

The Council adopted Resolution No. 216 authorizing the Mayor to execute a second amendment to the Jail Services Interlocal Agreement with Yakima Department of Corrections.

At a December 22nd meeting, the Council passed Ordinance No. 330 amending the 2004 Budget to account for cost overruns in the Building Department (due to increased building activity), in the Street Department (due to an overlay project), and in the Water Department (due to the unexpected purchase of water from the City of Bellevue during unanticipated repairs to the water tank). A copy of this amended budget will be posted at mailstands shortly.

VILLAGER EMAIL LIST: Another BIG THANK YOU to the 65+ families that have sent me email addresses. If you haven't yet done so, please take a moment to send an email to Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens at townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov so that your name can be added to our list. (Or jot your email address on the

payment stub of your next water-bill payment.) We promise to keep it private! In the near future, the Council would like to use email to send out electronic copies of newsletters (saves trees!) and to inform Villagers of urgent news (saves time!).

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: The next regular Council meeting will be held at 7:30 pm on January 11, 2005 at Betty Heckendorn's house, 2845 – 103rd Ave SE.

NEED TO CONTACT TOWN STAFF?

- Contact Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens if you need to speak to someone about issues before the Council, general Town business, or Water-Department concerns. You can reach her by email at townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov, by phone at (425) 454-8580, or by regular mail at 10550 SE 27th Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004.
- Contact Deputy Clerk Betsy Donworth if you need information, applications, or other assistance with permits, variances, or issues before the Planning Commission or Board of Adjustment. She can be reached by email at bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov, by phone at (425) 453-0235, or by regular mail at 10550 SE 27th Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004.

WABA DECEMBER NEWS

FROM THE BEACHMASTER. A group headed by Robin Stefan and Julia Morse planted the cleared area by the south parking lot. The plants are a beautiful assortment of native and non-native species. The area looks wonderful! Stop by and take a look. Thank you, thank you, to all who helped!

A few tree services companies have been dumping loads of wood chips and other yard waste in our beach parking lots. Please keep an eye out for trucks and report any dumping immediately to Jan Johnston at 425-454-6151 or to the Town Marshall.

FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

There are a number of personal items more or less permanently stored along the beach, particularly around the north parking lot. As a reminder, no vehicles or trailers and no personal boating or swimming gear may be stored on WABA property. If these items are not removed, and WABA cannot identify the owner, they will be disposed of.

As the year ends, the WABA Board of Trustees would like to extend our thanks once again to the many Beaux Arts Villagers who have so generously given of their time and effort to make our waterfront park such a lovely and important part of the community.

WINTER DINNER. The winter dinner is on Saturday January 22th. Be sure to mark your calendars. Our theme is "Community". We are looking for pictures of Beaux Arts community activities during the year. Please contact or e-mail Andrea Sharp with digital or traditional photographs (andreamshap@yahoo.com or 453-3285). If you are interested in helping out with the Winter Dinner or have questions please contact Gail D' Alessio (455-0457) or Andrea Sharp (453-3285).

HAPPY HOLIDAYS, EVERYONE!